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ACTING CHIEF, CAIRO BUREAU

17 March 1948

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1. In confirmation of CONFIDENTIAL message of 17 March 1948, instructions from higher authority in regard to the four members of the Cairo Bureau staff under suspicion of Communist affiliations are such that this office has no choice but to require that action to separate them from the Cairo payroll be taken prior to 1 April 1948.

2. A letter is being written to maximize its Bulgarian and Yugoslav coverage upon notice from the Cairo Bureau that its staff has been reduced. It is suggested that replacements be taken on, particularly for the BIS, without waiting for complete security clearance, if there is reasonable assurance that the candidates will ultimately be approved by the Passport Control Officer.

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3. Please submit to this office any other recommendations for alleviating the prospective staff shortage.

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